IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

DEBRA HATTEN-GONZALES, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

V.

No. CIV 88-385 KG/KBM Consolidated with No. CIV 88-786 KG/KBM

BRENT EARNEST, Secretary of the New Mexico Human Services Department,

Defendant.

JOINT MOTION TO APPROVE AND ADOPT REVISED MODIFIED CONSENT DECREE

The parties in this case, having reached agreement as to the terms and conditions of a revised consent decree, hereby move this Court to approve, adopt and order the Revised Modified Settlement Agreement filed contemporaneously with this motion. In support of this motion, the parties show:

- 1. The Revised Modified Settlement Agreement/Consent Decree is the product of many months of negotiations in good faith between the parties.
- 2. The Revised Modified Settlement Agreement/Consent Decree updates the current Consent Decree and replaces it entirely.
- 3. Plaintiffs' counsel believe that this Court's approval, adoption and ordering of the Revised Modified Settlement Agreement/Consent Decree is in the best interests of the Plaintiff class in this case. Defendant's counsel believes that this Court's approval, adoption and ordering of the Revised Modified Settlement Agreement/Consent Decree is in the best interests of the Human Services Department of the State of New Mexico.

Therefore, the parties jointly request that this Court:

- a. approve, adopt and order the Revised Modified Settlement
 Agreement/Consent Decree filed contemporaneously with this motion;
- b. order that the parties, their officers, agents, servants, employees and attorneys, and those persons in active concert with them who receive actual notice of the Revised Modified Settlement Agreement/Consent Decree be restrained from violating its terms, conditions and undertakings; and
- c. retain jurisdiction over this matter to enforce the terms, conditions and undertakings of the Revised Modified Settlement Agreement, and its of the Revised Modified Settlement Agreement/Consent Decree.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 10th day of August, 2018, I filed the foregoing pleading electronically with the United States District Court, causing the same to be electronically served on opposing counsel:

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